

REMARKS

Entry of this amendment prior to examination is respectfully requested.

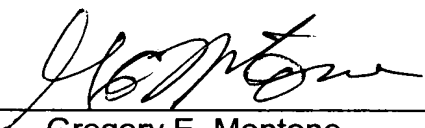
By the present amendment, claims 14-20 have been cancelled without prejudice to the Applicants' right to file a Divisional application directed to the subject matter of these claims.

If the Examiner believes that there are any other points which may be clarified or otherwise disposed of, either by telephone discussion or by personal interview, the Examiner is invited to contact applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

To the extent necessary, the applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Docket No. 501.43663X00).

Respectfully submitted,

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